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SUBJ: ECUADORAN PURCHASE OF MIRAGE PLANES

(IMMEDIATE FOR ASST SEC TODMAN)

FOREIGN MINISTER CONSALVI CALLED AMBASSADOR URGENTLY EVENING OF NOV 25 TO SAY THAT ON THE HEELS OF THE SECRETARY'S CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS LIMITATION AND THE AYACUCHO PACT, INFORMATION HAD JUST REACHED THEM THAT ECUADOR HAS PURCHASED 18 MIRAGE F-1 AIRCRAFT. THE MINISTER SAID THAT HE AND THE PRESIDENT FOUND THIS NEWS BOTH OMINOUS AND DISTURBING. HE ASKED IF AMBASSADOR HAD ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PURCHASE. (THE CONTEXT OF HIS REMARKS LEFT UNASKED BUT IMPLICIT THE FURTHER QUESTION OF WHETHER THE SECRETARY HAD KNOWN WHEN THEY TALKED). AMBASSADOR SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION ON THIS, BUT WOULD REQUEST WASHINGTON'S CONFIRMATION AND VIEWS.

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